

## **MINUTES EMS EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

January 7, 2008

Wayne Township Fire Department Headquarters  
Indianapolis, Indiana

### **Members:**

Steve Garrison  
Ron Parsons  
Rod Bosley  
Jim Christopher

Ed O'Farrell  
Hugh Garner  
John Zartman

### **Staff:**

Sherrie Crain  
Sam Steinhilber

Tony Pagano

### **Guests:**

Donald Malone, MC Ambulance  
Jennifer Buchanan, Ivy Tech State College, Region VI  
Tim Vollmer, Ivy Tech State College, Evansville  
Tony Hartman, Elkhart General Hospital

Chairman Ed O'Farrell introduced himself and thanked everyone for being in attendance. He called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

### **Old Business**

Tony discussed our assignment for the day – finalizing the 12-Lead EKG curriculum. He stated at the last EMS Commission meeting that we had nothing to present and the Commission had nothing for us. The Education Committee did commit to have the EKG program package complete for the next commission meeting. John Zartman made comments that the curriculum was pretty straight forward and that the EMT's really needed to know just how to apply the 12-Lead and that as a result, it should be fairly easy to put this program to completion. (The direction that the Education Committee has is to acquire and transmit the results of the EKG, by EMT-Basics, Basic Advanced, and Intermediates, to the hospital as soon as possible.) In reviewing "The Use of the 12-Lead EKG for the Basic EMT" John Zartman recommended deleting items I, III, and V with the exception of V-C. That leaves the basis for the document as II, IV, and V-C. This would be good for all levels up to paramedic which would revert to the original lesson plan. There would be no additions or deletions allowed in the program.

An active discussion among the attendees resulted in a curriculum being designed that everyone could agree on. Steve Garrison will complete the document and send it to Tony tomorrow (01/08/08) for circulation to the members of the Education Committee for their comments.

As for the curriculum package for paramedics, Garrison recommends that we add the "Troubleshooting, Documentation, and Delivery" statements provided in the new curriculum to

the Paramedic program as presented. "Practice" and "Check-off" also need to be added to the end of the Paramedic curriculum.

Sam discussed the practical exam revisions. She hopes the skill sheets will be on the internet by the end of the week. The skills group meets again on Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is invited. Scenarios are next.

The status of the computer based testing is that the numbers are coming up. There is still a test at the Government Center once a month for people to sign up for. In May, June, and December the state will be using current test sites in Ft. Wayne, Merrillville, Washington, and Scottsburg. The Washington Indiana site will stay active due to difficulties at Ivy Tech in Evansville.

### **New Business**

**Bill Brown is coming!** Bill will be here on Wednesday, January 16, 2008 at Community Hospital East at 9:00 A.M. in the EMS Education Training Center. Tony will notify everyone by email.

**Paramedic in-service document.** This document has come back from Forms Management and is an official state document. It is a form-fillable document and can be filled in right on the State's website.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at Wayne Township Fire Headquarters on Monday April 14 at 12:00 P.M.